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CONTINENTAL CHOCOLATES

Action likely for pull-outs of Aust. team

— By PAUL DEAN —

National team manager John Barclay and coach Joe Vlasits may recommend that Adelaide player John Perin be barred from national team selection for a lengthy period.

They may also demand a full investigation of Hakoah stopper Alan Marnoch.

Perin withdrew from the national team squad because of an alleged knee injury—yet played in Adelaide the day Australia met Japan for the second time, in Melbourne.

Marnoch, injured at training before the first Japan encounter, missed the first match in Sydney and

the second in Melbourne.

He was allowed to return to Sydney for treatment but was instructed to report back in Adelaide on Tuesday.

Marnoch didn't turn up in Adelaide, claiming that the injury would have prevented him from playing on Thursday night for Australia.

Yet less than two days later, he appeared for Ha-

koah in the team's first championship match.

If you add to this that Melbourne star Attila Abonyi didn't join the squad because he "couldn't get time off from work," one must wonder just how much it means to our well-paid players to represent Australia.

While on this subject, let us record the fine sportsmanship of those players who were drafted at a late stage yet went willingly and happily: Les Scheinflug, Roy Blitz and Hammy Mc-Meechan.

Or the faultless behaviour of Ray Lloyd who only played for three minutes in the three matches — yet never uttered a word of complaint.

Or ex-squad member Ray Richards who drove non-stop from Brisbane to Sydney and then back to see his mates play — and busied himself in the dressing-room, helping and encouraging, as if he was himself in the squad.

For some, luckily, it's still an honor to play for Australia.

Let's not forget this.

COACHES UPSET OVER REMARKS

Many local coaches, in Sydney as elsewhere, are reportedly seething with anger at Dettmar Cramer.

The little German FIFA coach, in several of his addresses and speeches, made thinly veiled references to the dubious qualifications of some Australian coaches.

The anger of the offended coaches is hard to understand.

Nobody has ever denied that they are trying to do a good job; no one has questioned their good intentions and love for the game.

What Cramer has hinted at was simply that some of our coaches — even in the First Division — simply have no proper background, schooling, know-how and qualification.

The Coaches Federation could easily rectify this in the future.

All they have to do is seek the full co-operation of either the English or the German FA and obtain from them the full material of a formal coaching course.

This then should be distributed among our coaches — all of them, without exception — who could be told that within a certain period they would be required to pass a full test.

There is no doubt that Cramer could be made available for a short visit to handle this.

In most European countries it is required that a coach working with a senior club (here, we would say, First and Second Division), should have passed such a test.

Remarkably enough, this

has never been required in Australia.

And until such a formal test is decided upon and arranged, neither the Federations nor the clubs — those who should insist on having it — can complain rightfully about the standard of our coaching.

VLASITS TO SEOUL?

National coach Joe Vlasits may go to Seoul in a few months time — if he can get the support of his own State.

Dettmar Cramer recommended that Vlasits visit the South Korean capital in about three months time to watch the annual Asian under-23 championship.

Cramer also suggested that the ASF send along one of its officials to establish contact with Asian Federations and either invite one of their teams here or have an Australian team invited.

Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and Tasmania are believed to back the scheme but NSW and Western Australia are cool to the idea.



Polonia fullbacks Filok and Skiba scramble to clear the ball at North Sydney Oval last Sunday. Polonia and Prague drew 2-2.

FLYING START AT ARLINGTON

The Sydney championship got off to a flying start last week — flying were orange peels and stones, aimed at a linesman who, in the immaculate judgment of a totally unbiased crowd, was instrumental in a disputed goal being awarded.

Two days earlier we witnessed another "pleasant" crowd scene, this time at Adelaide's Norwood Oval where the majority of an 8,000-strong crowd showed open hostility to the Australian national team in its match with Japan.

The Sydney incident happened at Arlington Oval, where Canterbury were trailing Hakoah 1-2.

With seven minutes to go, the match had to be abandoned, after a linesman was assaulted, two Canterbury players were expelled, but not before two leading Hakoah officials were physically attacked.

Those who keep insisting that by changing our "nationalistic" club names to district tags will solve our problems now have a classic case to ponder over: Canterbury, once a true district club, is partly Greek-run and almost fully Greek supported.

That much for a name.

The Norwood incident, though far less violent, was perhaps more painful.

The Adelaide crowd — mob is perhaps a better word — was incensed that the Australian team on the pitch didn't have any Adelaide players in it.

Whether any was deserving such an honor didn't occur to them: they wanted a local hero and they had none.

At the end, the Australian team was booed off the field while some Adelaide enthusiasts carried Kama-moto off shoulder-high.

It is relatively easy to deal with the Arlington incident: the facts are known and can be proved.

But it is extremely hard to prevent a repetition of the Adelaide scandal unless, one day, everybody regards the Australian team as his own, whether he was born here or elsewhere. P.D.

NSW Federation First Division

TEAM	AGGREGATE							HOME							AWAY							NEXT OPPONENT	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	* HOME MATCH	
Yugal	1	1	—	—	3	0	2	1	1	—	—	3	0	2								Prague	
Melita Eagles	1	1	—	—	1	0	2								1	1	—	—	1	0	2	Polonia *	
St. George	1	1	—	—	1	0	2	1	1	—	—	1	0	2								APIA	
Hakoah	1	1	—	—	2	1	2								1	1	—	—	2	1	2	Croatia	
P. Hellenic	1	1	—	—	2	1	2	1	1	—	—	2	1	2								Manly *	
Polonia	1	—	1	—	2	2	1	1	—	1	—	2	2	1								Melita Eagles	
Prague	1	—	1	—	2	2	1								1	—	1	—	2	2	1	Yugal *	
Canterbury	1	—	—	1	1	2	0	1	—	—	1	0	2	0								South Coast Utd.	
Croatia	1	—	—	1	1	2	0								1	—	—	1	1	2	0	Hakoah *	
Manly	1	—	—	1	0	1	0	1	—	—	1	0	1	0								P. Hellenic	
South Coast Utd.	1	—	—	1	0	1	0								1	—	—	1	0	1	0	Canterbury *	
APIA	1	—	—	1	0	3	0								1	—	—	1	0	3	0	St. George *	

THIS IS CRAMER'S "PENDULUM" SYSTEM

— By KEITH GILMOUR —

Dettmar Cramer's secret weapon for soccer success is the "pendulum."

It's a 24 ft. high upright of 3" diameter galvanised pipe, with a 6 ft. cross-arm fitted 3 ft. from the top.

A football is suspended on a cord from the arm, and its height can be adjusted for various exercises.

Starting at just above ground level, the player accurately executes traps, instep kicks, and various passes.

Accuracy is the first watchword, as the ball swings back to the player time and time again.

Then bring the ball higher, and practice the thigh trap and volley.

At a higher level still trap with the chest, and head.

Players of all standards can improve their heading, as the player himself or the coach can work at the standard and pace that he himself needs and sets.

Put a team mate where the ball will just reach, and head to him as he moves around the arc of a circle.

As to speed, Cramer showed how to shoot and head with power to gasps from his audience.

All clubs should be able to instal a pendulum on their grounds.

They would prove a boon at many schools, and would be much cheaper than the wire cricket nets that most P and C Associations use.

At worst, the ball can be attached to pipe playground equipment or to a crossbar.

All we can say on Cramer's authority and from our own observations is that the equipment can do wonders for football standards.

Jumping

The recipe for good heading is to jump straight up, jump powerfully and jump early.

Above all, teach yourself to hang suspended in air for the split second that enables you to complete your heading movement accurately.

Watch the ball all the way when going up for a header from behind another player.

Try 30 jumps to head the ball thrown to you, when you stand behind another player.

To be a top player, says Cramer, be prepared to jump 300 times in each of three or four training sessions every week!

Tactics

Try chip passes over another player's head, complete with backspin to stop the ball from running away from a team-mate.

Use three players, inter-passing in front and behind

the receiver, slow pace, and building up to full speed.

Try 3 v. 1 and 4 v. 2 attacker and defender games.

Pass the ball and follow straight through, so that the receiver always has a man each side of him ready to take the next pass.

Said Cramer:

"I always aim to know before I receive the ball:—

● Where the ball is coming from.

● What I will do with it.

● Where I go after I play it."

Now for some isotonic exercises, press-ups, following that high jumping on the spot.

On field systems, Cramer points out that the width of a football field is such that you can't stop an attack with three defensive players, in view of the width and space of a field.

Hence the 4-2-4, 4-3-3, and now the sweeper-stopper systems.

To beat the extra stopper involves switching the ball to your attacking side, on the other side of the field to the sweeper.

Thus you should have two attackers aiming to beat two defenders on that side, instead of 2 v. 3.

Next, don't specialise boys in one position too early in their careers.

Modern football calls for fluid, all-round players, who can attack, defend, and sum up a situation.

To play automatically means to practice together.

The sweeper today is the big aid to defence.

He takes the free striker — his judgment must be sound in deciding when to swoop.

The sweeper should, strangely enough, also be a constructive attacker and scorer, ready to dash through or steal up with a movement.

The fabulous Beckenbauer plays sweeper in his West German club side, and is their top scorer.

Jackie Charlton often manoeuvres himself into a scoring position for England.

Inter Milan's left-back Facchetti is another example.

For Cramer, one suspects, the real music is the chop, chop, chop, as his voice and hands demonstrate the speed of the foot passes, and the bang that indicates the ball screaming for the net.

For any club team, quickening standards and enjoyment might come from suggestions Cramer set down in this week's or last week's review of his lecture.

SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

FERDO DUNAJ is unlikely to play in Yugal this year. "I want to give young players every chance," said the Yugal coach this week, "and we have many very talented boys among them." The latest successfully blooded in First Division soccer is Zlatko Volar, a young left-winger, who made his debut during the Ampol Cup and played his first competition match last Sunday.

Victor FERNANDEZ's wife, Sandra, gave birth to a baby daughter last Saturday. The Fernandezes already had a 12-month-old son, Victor junior.

Just for the record: No ASF officials from interstate went to Adelaide to see the Japan match. And the only Sydney newspaper who sent its own man was ours.

CHS State Open selections will be made at Concord Oval on Monday and Tuesday, May 13 and 14 during the school vacation. The best schoolboy footballers in NSW will vie for selection.

TCN Channel 9 last Saturday began a regular soccer segment on its morning sports show. The first soccer identity to appear was NSW Federation vice-president FRANK



PARSONS who intelligently defended soccer against a charge that the "season is too long". Parsons also described Prague as "possibly the best team in Australia".

Prague's brilliant LADIES' team will again be on display next Saturday. At 2.15 p.m. before the main match against Yugal at Marks Field, they will take on their counterparts from Green Valley.

RON CORRY, the Croatia and Australia keeper, is thinking of asking for a transfer.

Manly's new Papuan players, DOBBIN and HOBART, are settling in well. Both may make their first team debut in a fortnight.

Prague's English fullback, MILES MOULSON, a movie cameraman, is back in Sydney after a four-week business trip. Moulson may replace Dave Zeman in the Prague defence against Yugal, if fit.

SAL ISAAC has contacted St. George officials and offered to return almost immediately from Buenos Aires. The club has yet to make up its mind.

Amazing coincidence. The last time a referee in Sydney was attacked before Saturday was also at Arlington Oval; also at the match of Canter-

bury; also by a Greek player, SARAVAKOS. He is now back in Greece, suspended for life.

The Marrickville v. Thistle INTER-SUBURBAN First Division match, set down for this weekend, will be played on Anzac Day, at Mackey Park, instead.

"JIM" GIOVANNI, St. George's new utility player from New Caledonia works for club patron, Imre Nagy, at his large printery. Giovanni, who bears a striking resemblance to Harry Belafonte, may eventually play right fullback in Saints' first team.

Prague will hold a FILM night at the AMP Theatre, Circular Quay, on April 19. A top "new-wave" Czech film will be screened.

The NSW Federation will ask all First and Second Division clubs to appoint a permanent PUBLICITY officer without delay.

ANDREW JAMES, an English amateur import made his debut for Bankstown against Granville last Sunday. He had a quiet debut.

GYULA POLGAR has yet to sign a firm coaching contract with Canterbury. The ex-Hungarian international will take over the team only if the club is ready to meet certain of his conditions.

At WENTWORTH PARK last Sunday most of the announcements on the PA system were made in Greek with no English translation. Whatever was said, was it meant for Greeks only?

Bankstown and Canterbury made a clean swap last week exchanging RON HEWITT (Bankstown) with JOHN JAMIESON (Canterbury). Both players played with their new respective teams.

ARCHIE BLUE celebrated his 27th birthday last Monday.

APIA vice-president VIC CAPELLETTI this week scoffed at rumors that the club was split with dissension over last Sunday's defeat.

STOP PRESS

The NSW Disciplinary Committee last Tuesday suspended Canterbury players Demopoulos and Romanos for four matches and three matches respectively. Both were sent off during the stormy Canterbury v. Hakoah match at Arlington Oval last Saturday. The Management Committee awarded the two competition points to Hakoah, which led 2-1 when the match was abandoned.

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Said Capelletto: "Our defeat by Yugal is not dramatic. The committee is more united than ever and coach Mazzina enjoys our fullest confidence. Don't bury us yet".

Every junior in the ST. GEORGE district has been issued with a special guest pass to attend St. George-Budapest's home matches gratis.

With the erection of the rectangular fence around the GRAHAM RESERVE playing area, Manly-Warringah have a ground setting unmatched in Sydney. A concrete apron has been set around the outside of the fence, and two rows of seating are to be completed for the club's home game against Croatia on Saturday April 20.

STAN EARL, the Prague goalie, is certain to remain with the club. He won't move as he is confident he can play his way back into the first team.

St. George-Budapest's "Soccer House" is planning a unique competition: a FOOT-TENNIS series, open to teams of twos from First Division clubs. The game, popular in Europe and Asia as a footballer's pastime, is similar to volleyball — except that you kick the ball over the net instead of punching it. The club will have attractive prize money for the series.

The under-14 and 16 APIA teams will travel to Melbourne this weekend to contest a cup series sponsored by the Italian consul. Junior teams from the local Juventus and Triestina clubs will also take part.

The resignation of Pan Hellenic president, GEORGE PAPPAS, was motivated by a disagreement with team-manager, GEORGE ZANTEY. Both men are no longer with the club, neither having stood for re-election at last week's special Annual General Meeting. The new Pan Hellenic 11-man management committee is comprised of officials with limited soccer administrative experience. Despite his withdrawal, Pappas said this week he could "help out" until the new management acquired more experience.

Melita Eagles have brought out a new club MAGAZINE for members called the "Straightshooter". It is a fortnight publication devoted solely to club news, social and otherwise.

On Thursday night the St. George-Budapest club at Mortdale will screen the WD and HO Wills' film of last year's MANCHESTER UNITED tour of Australia. The film evening starts at 7.30 p.m. and the 1967 European Cup final between Celtic and Inter Milan will also be shown.

Quote of the week — JIM KELLY in the "South Coast Times": "South Coast United will finish in the first four..."

In a last minute bid to get a goalkeeper, Auburn completed a quick deal with Polonia last Saturday morning to sign COLIN OWERS who played for Auburn on that same afternoon.

WESTERN SUBURBS Soccer Club plans to build a new canteen building at Drummoyne Oval costing more than \$1,500.

St. George have officially placed defender BARRY TAYLOR on transfer, at \$2,000, at his own request.

Australia Cup programme

South Sydney-Croatia will play their preliminary Aust. Cup match in Canberra on Monday against Juventus (ACT).

The winner of this match will meet Hakoah-Sydney on May 8.

St. George-Budapest's first round Australia Cup match is on Wednesday April 17 at the Marks Field against Newcastle Austral.

Pan Hellenic and APIA, who clash in the first round, have secured the Sports Ground for their match, under floodlights, on Wednesday May 1.

Easter Monday (April 15) has been set down as the tentative date for the Australia Cup tie between WA Hellas and Azzurri of Perth in Adelaide.

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WEARY, DISPIRITED AUSSIES COULDN'T RESIST JAPANESE DO-OR-DIE FINISH

— By PAUL DEAN —

Staring at the cold facts and results, one must conclude that the three-match series with Japan ended fair and square: each team won a game 3-1 and one was drawn.

But there is very much more lurking behind these figures. In the first encounter, Japan stood pretty close to a win and a convincing one, at that.

There was no argument about the second tie: Australia was the better team and deservedly won.

The third was a peculiar affair. Up to the 82nd minute it looked as if Australia could win; then, with Oriental magic, Japan turned the tables and won, deservedly.

Right from the beginning it was obvious that in this third match, the Australian team will be up against a rested, composed and determined Japan.

And it was also obvious that if our three-day basic preparation before the series was inadequate, this was the night when the price had to be paid.

Let's see the circumstances; maybe there is something to be learned for the future.

The Japanese arrived in Sydney after a 30-hour plane trip from Mexico — and the following day had to play their first match.

RESTRICTED

Only those who have spent 30 hours in non-stop travelling can possibly know how incredibly tiring it is.

So in the first match they couldn't have been fit. But in the second match, it must have been worse.

This took place the following day, not giving the visitors any time to acclimatise and to rest.

Between the second and the third matches there were three full days during which the Japanese could regain their breath, rest their limbs — and at least try to produce their best.

Barclay and Vlasits were also restricted to 16 players — as economy measures.

Injuries to Marnoch, Van Alphen, Warren, Schaefer and Keith plus Corry's sickness cut down the size of this squad to well below safety level.

So the incredible did happen: the Japanese had no replacement problem but the Australians did — at home.

Now, the Australians. Our team was called together on Tuesday afternoon for the first time, precisely four days before the first match.

This gave the coach two days when he could train them reasonably hard: Wednesday and Thursday.

How insufficient this is cannot be over-emphasised: in the first match our team work was non-existent, in the third match, towards the end, our stamina and strength was sapped.

The first half in Adelaide was extremely hard fought and even, producing little that can be called spectacular.

Yet it was not boring: both defences operated magnificently and neither team was even allowed to penetrate too deeply into enemy territory.

The Australian attack once again badly malfunctioned; Vojtek hung back too far, McColl was too passive and Baartz was left to his own devices.

Still, we had one or two chances — but not good

enough to be converted into goals.

On the other hand, Japan could have grabbed the lead twice.

In the 30th minute Kamamoto, in the 45th Miyamoto broke through and smashed great shots against the cross-bar.

With Schaefer injured, Blitz came in after the interval to reinforce the attack and Scheinflug dropped back to midfield.

MORE AGGRESSIVE

At once, the yellow-shirted Australian team became more enterprising and more aggressive.

The ball started to run sweetly for them and for the first time in the match, Australia gained a clear upper hand.

Finally, in the 70th minute, came our goal. Baartz pounced on a long ball on the right wing, dashed off hotly pursued by Yamaguchi and from the line sent in a low pass to the onrushing McColl to sweep the ball in with majestic ease.

The stage looked set for a splendid Australian win. The Japanese, while still playing their clever, attractive game, could not mount dangerous attacks because their build-up work was slow and because Westwater kept the deadly Kamamoto under very strict and very close watch.

With 15 minutes to go, coach Okano decided on a tactical change.

He pulled off the dainty Ogi and sent in the more aggressive M. Miyamoto with one clear-cut instruction: speed up the attacks, get a grip on the midfield and push the ball through faster to the forwards.

All of a sudden the picture of the game changed and the midfield, until then the domain of Blue and Scheinflug, became Japanese territory.

MAGNIFICENT

In fact, for some 30 minutes Australia played magnificently — the type of soccer I have not seen from any Australian club, State or national side before.

This was push-and-run stuff of the highest calibre, every bit as good as any you see on BBC TV and much better than most.

Australia played touch-football at great speed and the Japanese were reeling; time and again their goal had a narrow escape.

But gradually the Australians grew visibly tired; they were not ready for a Japanese grandstand finish. It came anyway.

In the 82nd minute Japan equalised when a freekick, sent in from the extreme right, deceived all our defenders: Kamamoto made a great dummy run for the cross, taking with him Westwater and Van Alphen but the ball sailed over to the other flank where Watanabe headed it to the unmarked Sugiyama who forwarded it further into the net with a soft, neat header.

Another smart, professional goal, the obvious result of hours of practice.

Three minutes later Kamamoto was on the spot again. Kelly and Keith both wanted to save a shot on the line, the ball rolled clear and Kamamoto, sprinting in from nowhere, hammered it into the net from a yard or so.

The third goal was a mere formality, a coup de grace: a corner once again sailed over the heads of Kelly and the defenders and Kamamoto, waiting near the far post, headed it home from a couple of yards.

I felt that with some luck Australia might have hung on to its narrow lead, despite the great Japanese finish.

But there was more to it than luck: Westwater who marked Kamamoto out of the game for 80 minutes began to tire as the tall Japanese striker took him for miles of running at top speed, constantly changing wings and purposefully grinding Westwater into the ground.

NO SUPPORT

Blue was injured while Scheinflug and Van Alphen also tired towards the end and thus our midfield became vulnerable.

And last but not least, Australia perhaps could have escaped defeat if the players had felt that the crowd wanted them to win.

But this was not the case as Norwood Oval's crowd was plainly hostile to them, barracking for their downfall and celebrating their doom.

On the whole, Japan deserved to win the last match; they held out well in the first half, weathered the great Aussie storm in the second half with only one goal and then staged a whirlwind finish.

ish the like of which could knock out many other teams.

In the Australian defence Keith was the best man; he tackled well and was constructive throughout. Ackerley was only a shade behind him.

Kelly, a very talented goalie, was unlucky with the second goal and at fault with the third.

Van Alphen stood his ground well though his lack of speed was obvious. Westwater was well above average and proved that he can submit his considerable skills to a higher tactical plan. Schaefer played well until his injury.

Blue was our best midfielder man and in the forward line Baartz was the prime mover throughout.

The Japanese are lucky enough to have a Kamamoto in their team, indisputably a world class forward.

I rate him higher than any of the strikers seen in Australia as Law, Kvasniak, Bridges or the Roma and Torpedo players.

But Kamamoto is not Japan: all their players are extremely accomplished, skilled, well trained and well disciplined with amazing tactical maturity and clairvoyance.

Australia: Kelly; Keith, Schaefer, Van Alphen, Ackerley; Westwater, Blue, Scheinflug; Vojtek, Baartz, McColl. — In second half Blitz for Schaefer. **Reserves:** Corry, Lloyd, McMeechan.

Japan: Yokoyama; Katayama, Mori, Kamata, Yamaguchi; Yaegashi, Ogi (M. Miyamoto); T. Miyamoto, Watanabe, Kamamoto, Sugiyama.

Scorers: McColl 70 min., Sugiyama 82 min., Kamamoto 85 and 89 min.

Referee: D. Maitland (Vic.) **Crowd:** 8,000.

READERS' LETTERS

Can something be done about our TV?

I have read Soccer World regularly since September 1961 and find it very informative and interesting.

I am also a registered player with the Inter-Suburban League team Belmore and enjoy the column about the amateurs immensely.

An article once written in Soccer World complained that television channels were not devoting enough screen time for soccer matches and interviews etc.

If a small portion of the "green paper" were to be devoted to free advertising matches that do appear on television then this could possibly be something to entice the channels to show more matches and interviews, this could also act as

another service to the soccer public that read your paper.

I must also add that if the channels did not show what is advertised then this could also be noted the following week.

In conclusion I might add that if Soccer World does not take this step then I doubt if anyone else will as I feel that the Soccer Federation has forgotten what the word advertising means.

Leon Farrin, Campsie.

We do publicise all soccer on TV — free of charge, of course. But at times stations screen programs unannounced and fail to notify us. —Editor.

Enviably?

"You should have had some Adelaide boys in the team," a couple of leading SA officials informed me after the third match with Japan.

"The match was lousy, boring and sub-standard," another one argued.

They tried to explain the inexplicable: why such a large segment of the crowd at Norwood Oval was hostile to the Australian team.

How responsible officials would even suggest that a national team be picked on geography instead of ability shows much of the rottenness of our whole set-up.

As for the second charge, I am astonished. If that splendid, thrilling second half in Adelaide was boring by local standards, how I envy them for the pleasure and privilege of watching, week after week, classic struggles between their Birkallas and Elizabeth Cities and Hellases...

P. D.

MORE DEFINITE

Our soccer players must learn to be more definite in front of goal.

I understand the method in England at training is to shoot at numbers placed in the net.

A Japanese gave us a lesson last Saturday week when he scored from a difficult corner angle.

Our players also lack anticipation.

I refer to passes and clearances by the goalie.

An English World Cup player anticipated a clearance and scored with his second shot.

We must also have suburban club names as soon as possible and Australian Cup fever must be whipped up like it's done in England.

C. W. Green, Dulwich Hill.

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Meet the players

The hat-trick specialist

— By ALAN SPEERS —

"Marvellous, isn't it? You go on to the field hoping to score goals, and look what happens.

"You hardly get a kick at the ball, and when you do you can't fire."

Terry Thorne was speaking to no one in particular, nor was anyone in the Prague dressing room at North Sydney Oval on Sunday of a mind to listen to the young inside-forward.

Animated conversation is never in vogue when a team is disappointed, as Prague's players were disappointed by their two-all draw with Polonia.

But Thorne had reason to be a little more downcast than his team mates.

He had wanted especially to score goals — something he's been doing with monotonous regularity this season — because his father was at the ground.

All the way from England!

As luck would have it, no goals came his way, but it's unlikely that Mr. Thorne

sen. will return home in three weeks' time without first seeing his offspring find the back of the net.

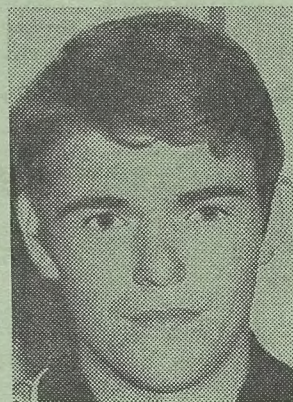
Terry, 21, has been in Australia himself less than a year, arriving unheralded and unsung last June.

He played only six matches with Prague last season, but this year has struck form with a vengeance, having scored 10 goals in Ampol and Australia Cup matches.

He's become known as a hat-trick specialist, performing the feat on three occasions.

Despite his tender years, Terry has come through a rough mill in his soccer career.

He started as an apprentice professional with Ipswich, whose main claim to fame is a rags-to-riches rise to win the English First Division title a few years ago, under Sir Alf Ramsey.



TERRY THORNE

prised" by the standard of Sydney soccer.

"With full-time training, Prague would be well up to top English Third and Fourth Division class," he said.

Of Prague's draw with Polonia he said: "they played well, never gave us time to settle down.

"It was pretty tough.

"Look at this," he said, ruefully displaying a badly bruised leg, "one of their forwards almost chopped my legs out from under me.

"We'll do a lot better than that, though," he said.

Which seems a pretty fair way of summing up Prague's — and Terry's future this year.

Wherever Prague may finish, in fact, it's certain that quite a few teams will find Terry, literally, a thorn in their side.

SYDNEY RESULTS & DETAILS

RESULTS & SCORERS

Canterbury

1 (1)
Hood 13 min.

Hakoah

2 (0)
Fekete 50 min., Keddie 79 min.
* match abandoned at 83rd minute.

Manly

0 (0)

Melita E.

1 (1)
Mullan 17 min.

P. Hellenic

2 (0)
Karyannis 83 and 90 mins.

Croatia

1 (0)
Fraser 70 min.

Polonia

2 (0)
Povey 63 min., Kulak (pen.) 71 min.

Prague

2 (2)
Lissing 38 and 41 mins.

Yugal

3 (1)
Halpin 9 and 72 mins, Rafanelli 67 min.

A.P.I.A.

0 (0)

St. George

1 (0)
Cliss 60 min.

Sth. Coast

0 (0)

HOW THEY LINED UP

Demopoulos (sent off); Whitehead 4, Hardy 4; Galbraith 3, Konstantakopoulos 4, Romanos (sent off); Dougan 3, Hewitt 3, Hood 3, Rinos 3, Paxinos 3.

TOTAL: 30 Coach: G. Polgar

Fuzes; Stewart 3, Hillsdon 4; Gardiner 4, Marnoch 4, Yaager 3; Edmunds 3 (Fekete 4), Keddie 3, Barnett 3, Baartz 3, Jones 3.

TOTAL: 36 Coach: D. Holden

Tuinman 3; McGrath 3, Brooks 3; Verrills 3, Campbell 4, Jagger 3; Hughes 2, Ridding 3, G. Jones 3, Harris 2, R. Jones 3.

TOTAL: 32 Coach: D. Adrigan

Eaton 3; Hunter 4, De Bruin 3; Cilia 4, Falzon 4, Duffy 4; Nemet 3, Goldie 3, Mullan 4, Azzopardi 4, Kovacs 3.

TOTAL: 39 Coach: J. Vlasits

Clarke 3; Johnston 3, Omeros 4; McCulloch 4, Cole 4, Hignett 3; Smith 4, Karyannis 4, Westwater 3, Laraman 3, Blitz 4.

TOTAL: 37 Coach: W. Tamandl

Corry 4; Lincoln 3, Sloan 3; Curry 4, Shepherd 3, Wright 3; Barboutis 2, Martin 2, Fraser 3, Giles 5, Frakes 2.

TOTAL: 34 Coach: A. Zanetic

Drewniak 4; Filok 3, Skiba 3, Calphy 3, Dzialach 4, Komoder 3, Povey 4, Minol 3, Kulak 3, Krawiarz 4 (Oliver 3), Swoboda 3.

Coach: G. Azzopardi TOTAL: 37

King 3; Harcombe 3, Blacker 4, Zeman 4, Rootsey 3, Blanco 3, Armytage 3, Thorne 3, Scheinflug 3, Molnar 3, Lissing 5.

Coach: J. Venglos TOTAL: 37

Ljubic 3; Nacinovic 3, Crnic 3; Stosic 4, Banicevic 4, Rafanelli 5, J. Alagich 5, Takac 5, Halpin 3, Edwards 4, Volar 3.

TOTAL: 42 Coach: F. Dunaj

Taylor 3; Nuttall 3, Ackerley 4, Hughes 4, Di Leonardo 2, Bottalico 3, Santoro 3, Campana 2 (Giacometti 3), Blue 3, Bregante 2, Silione 2.

TOTAL: 31 Coach: M. Mazzina

Haffey 4; Wills 3, Hillary 3; Schaefer 5, Morgan 3, Zuckerman 3; Rees 3, Cliss 5, Galambos 2 (McCue 3), Fernandez 3, Schauman 3.

TOTAL: 37 Coach: L. Hegyes

Ramage 5; Barnes 4, Cuthbert 3; Kelly 3, Carr 4, Davies 3; Beattie 3, Alston 2, Tolson 3, McGarry 3, Paterson 3.

TOTAL: 36 Coach: J. Kelly

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

Match rating: * * *

A spiteful match ended in abrupt chaos when referee Rae abandoned play after Canterbury goalkeeper Demopoulos ran amok and some irresponsible hot-heads manhandled linesman Smit. Trouble had been brewing since Hakoah's second goal in the 79th minute, which was hotly disputed by the Canterbury players and the ensuing expulsion of Romanos for alleged deliberate kicking. The match was rough almost from the kick-off, with Canterbury putting up unexpected stiff opposition. Canterbury could have clinched the match in the first half when they were well on top. In the second half, however, it was all Hakoah and they would, probably, have scored a third goal had the match not been abandoned.

Crowd: 1,800

Referee: L. Rae

— LOU GAUTIER

Match rating: * * *

Goalwise, the only difference between the teams was Mullan's effort, which started with Duffy cleverly slowing the pace, and sending to Goldie, who then put Mullan in possession close in. Melita, however, were much more assured in attack and defence throughout. The lovely Graham's Reserve turf suited their style. Cilia, Hunter, and Falzon rarely put a foot wrong. Manly came right into the game with 20 minutes to go, but the Eagles turned the tide, and finished with an exciting shooting spree which failed to increase their winning margin.

Crowd: 1,473

Referee: K. Lockrey

— KEITH GILMOUR

Match rating: * * *

All the excitement of this clash was left for the last seven minutes when inside-right Karyannis turned the tables with two opportunist goals to give Pan Hellenic both points. Pan Hellenic were the more constructive and displayed the better combination. Until the last, tense few minutes, the game was played mainly in the midfield, with both defences in complete control. Once again, Ron Giles was the schemer of Croatia's attack and he initiated almost every movement. Pan Hellenic, however, gave a more polished performance and were much faster and more accurate both in attack and defence.

Crowd: 2,612

Referee: H. Parsons.

— CHARLES SPITERI

Match rating: * * *

Prague, coasting to certain victory with a comfortable two-goal lead, unaccountably lost concentration and had to battle for dear life to gain even a point against the game Polonia. The turning point was provided, ironically, by Povey, playing against his old team mates. Even so, his cleverly-taken goal should not have rattled Prague as it did and, while some may argue the rights or wrongs of referee Jones' penalty decision, Prague deserved little better fate. Polonia, limited in attack, nevertheless battled determinedly after losing Krawiarz in the first half-hour.

Crowd: 780

Referee: N. Jones

— ALAN SPEERS

Match rating: * * * *

Fully relegated to a subservient role, APIA turned in their most miserable display for years. The four new Argentinians were a shocking disappointment and will have to improve by some 500 per cent to justify their importation. Yugal played with amazing confidence and poise, outclassing their opponents. Rafanelli and Takac were the masterminds of their fine showing. With better luck and better finishing, Yugal could have scored even 10 goals.

Crowd: 3,500

Referee: A. Boskovic

— PAUL DEAN

Match rating: * * *

Saints made very hard work of a win which should have been far more convincing. In the first half they erred badly in trying to beat the visitors at their own long-passing game, and got nowhere. After the interval, they played a short-passing game, better suited to their temperament, and quickly got on top, though they couldn't convert their superiority into goals because their forwards dilly-dallied instead of parting with the ball first time. South Coast were only dangerous in the last 20 minutes, when, with an ounce of luck, they could have equalised. The match produced precious little good football: St. George lacked punch and penetration while South Coast's play was totally devoid of imagination and class.

Crowd: 2,000

Referee: N. Campbell

— LOU GAUTIER

COACHES COMMENT

Gyula Polgar: "We started off well and looked like causing an upset. But in the second half the Berries 'died' as their general condition was shocking".

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Doug Holden: "The long lay-off between the Ampol Cup final and the first round of the competition was detrimental to the team's cohesion. We had to start again almost from scratch but I was happy with the team's improved second half display."

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Denes Adrigan: "Melita Eagles certainly played the better football. The way our boys went throughout shows that most clubs will find them very hard to beat this year. I'm not disappointed by our narrow defeat."

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Joe Vlasits: "Manly gave us a really hard match, but we managed to hit the crossbar good and hard towards the end. The defence played well. The attack will improve as time goes by."

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Walter Tamandl: "Naturally, I am very pleased with the result considering that until seven minutes from the end we were losing 1-0. We played the better football and deserved the win."

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Ante Zanetic: "Our defence played well, but the forward-line allowed itself to be bossed around by Pan Hellenic's defence. Considering the team hadn't played for three weeks, our display was quite encouraging".

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George Azzopardi: "A good result. I was pleased with the way our boys fought back from two goals down, particularly with Krawiarz, who played a very useful game until his untimely injury."

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Joe Venglos: "More than half the Prague team played well below form. How can you win under those circumstances?"

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F. Dunaj: "We proved that even with very limited financial resources you can build a fine team. I expect even further improvement from our younger players."

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M. Mazzina: "Although I knew the Argentinians were far from fully fit, I still expected more from them. Yugal played very well."

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Laurie Hegyes: "A shameful exhibition to be forgotten in a hurry. The team never functioned as a unit. My sincere thanks to Schaefer and Cliss. Without their superhuman efforts I hate to think what would have happened."

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Jim Kelly: "The ball didn't bounce kindly for us. I think we deserved at least a draw. Towards the end I thought we had them. Our display must have convinced many people South Coast isn't as bad as it was made out to be."

Pan Hellenic could move to top spot

— By LOU GAUTIER —

Pan Hellenic, on paper at least, appear to have the easiest draw of all the competition leaders after the first round.

Against Manly, they should consolidate their position at the top of the ladder.

The task of St. George, Hakoah, Melita Eagles and Yugal looks much tougher.

Our previews for the week-end:

Melita Eagles v. Polonia

Off to a good start last weekend, both teams will be keen to retain their unbeaten record for a prolonged sojourn near the top of the ladder.

Polonia confounded the experts when they overcame a two-goal deficit to draw with the highly-rated Prague and could go one better on Saturday when the opposition will be "easier", if there is such a thing in this year's competition.

The speed and dash of newly signed Vic Povey may transform the slow-moving Polonia attack into a more mobile, dangerous striking force capable of causing havoc in the usually reliable Melita defence.

Defences, however, should gain the upper hand in a match which could go either way as there appears to be very little between the teams.

Polonia have the more skilled ball players — Komoder, Dzialach, Minol, Krawiarz — Melita the more aggressive rugged style of play.

The contrast of styles could make for an entertaining match, likely to end in a low-scoring draw.

Prague v. Yugal

Prague's faux-pas last week and Yugal's overwhelming win over APIA have somewhat altered the theme of this match.

Prague, normally would have been expected to defeat Yugal, but on last Sunday's performance, Yugal must command tremendous respect.

The midfield prompting of playmakers Rafanelli and Takac and the dash of strikers Halpin, Alagich and Edwards have produced a surprisingly effective combination which makes Yugal a match for any opponent.

Prague have too much potential and method not to im-

prove on last weekend's disappointing result.

The smooth surface of the Marks Field will suit their precision style of football to the hilt.



LARRY ARMYTAGE
(Prague)

The duel for midfield supremacy will be vital here. Prague, we feel, will have the edge, but a draw is a distinct possibility.

Pan Hellenic v. Manly

Manly's limitations were painfully revealed last weekend and they will be hard pressed to return home with even a respectable defeat.

Pan Hellenic is the one team capable of capitalizing on Manly's numerous weaknesses.

Should they start off on the right foot, the Pan Hellenic forwards could be irresistible and pile on the goals.

Manly's sterility in attack should cause their opponents little trouble, thus allowing Pan Hellenic to concentrate solely on attack.

Goalie Tuinman and his co-defenders can brace themselves for a hectic afternoon, trying to cope with the nippy, opportunistic Pan Hellenic forwards.

Anything but a comfortable Pan Hellenic victory would come as a big surprise.

South Coast v. Canterbury

Minus key defenders, Demopoulos and Romanos, Canterbury face an uphill battle at Woonona.

It will almost be impossible for them to bring home a

point against a team which always rises to the occasion and lifts its game in front of its own crowd.

South Coast will need all the support they can muster because they can't possibly stay clear of relegation worries by skill alone.

In this department they are found sadly wanting and will find it hard to improve with the mediocre, colorless players at their disposal.

Canterbury, beset as they are with all sorts of troubles, are unlikely to exploit South Coast's lack of class.

The home ground advantage should enable the Kelly gang to stage their first successful hold-up of the season and get away with both points.

Croatia v. Hakoah

Two of the best defences in the business come to grips at Marks Field where goals may be very hard to come by.

There was nothing in the teams' performances last week to suggest the goal drought will be broken on Sunday.

Hakoah are stronger both in defence and in attack, with Marnoch and Baartz, when in the mood, match-winners in their own right.

Croatia don't have as many outstanding individuals and only a hundred per cent team effort, where every player pulls his weight and clicks together, can see them through.

Hakoah can, and do, play useful, pedestrian football, but how they could do with an imaginative, creative forward to add some spice and sparkle!

Hakoah should win, but can't expect an easy game as long as their forward-line lacks rhythm.

APIA v. St. George

Following last Sunday's Argentinian fiasco, APIA may revert to a more orthodox formation.

The return of the proven Sambrook, McKinnon and Campbell, among others, could only strengthen APIA at this stage.

Whether the likely return of these prodigal sons will put APIA back on the road to success remains to be seen.

APIA are lucky they meet St. George, who have many problems of their own, especially the enforced lay-off of skipper Warren, whose absence was badly felt last Sunday.

More fluent in the midfield and creative in attack, Saints will be out to consolidate their place on top of the ladder, but will have to contend with the pride and determination of APIA, for whom another defeat could have shattering consequences.

APIA and St. George, at this stage, are a far cry from the teams which thrilled Sydney in last year's Grand Final and we tip them to draw at Lambert Park.

PROBABLE LINE-UPS

MELITA EAGLES

EATON
HUNTER
DE BRUIN
CILIA
FALZON
DUFFY
NEMET
GOLDIE
MULLAN
AZZOPARDI
KOVACS

POLONIA

DREWNIAK
FILOK
SKIBA
CALPHY
DZIALACH
KOMODER
POVEY
MINOL
KULAK
KRAWIARZ
SWOBODA

PRAGUE

KING
HARCOMBE
BLACKER
ZEMAN
ROOTSEY
BLANCO
ARMYTAGE
THORNE
SCHEINFLUG
MOLNAR
LISSING

YUGAL

LJUJIC
NACINOVIC
CRNICH
STOSICH
BANICEVIC
RAFANELI
J. ALAGICH
TAKAC
HALPIN
EDWARDS
VOLAR

PAN HELLENIC

CLARKE
JOHNSTON
OMEROS
MCULLOCH
COLE
HIGNETT
SMITH
KARYANNIS
WESTWATER
LARAMAN
BLITZ

MANLY

TUINMAN
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BROOKS
VERRILLS
CAMPBELL
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APIA

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NUTTALL
ACKERLEY
HUGHES
SAMBROOK
BOTTALICO
KEDDIE
CAMPANA
BLUE
GIACOMETTI
MCKINNON

ST. GEORGE

HAFFEY
WILLS
HILLARY
SCHAEFER
MORGAN
ZUCKERMAN
REES
CLISS
DURR
FERNANDEZ
SCHAUMAN

SOUTH COAST

RAMAGE
BARNES
CUTHBERT
KELLY
CARR
DAVIES
BEATTIE
McGARRY
TOLSON
ALSTON
PATERSON

CANTERBURY

LINDSAY
WHITEHEAD
HARDY
GALBRAITH
KOSTETKOPOULOS
DOUGAN
CLARKE
HEWITT
HOOD
RINOS
PAXINOS

CROATIA

CORRY
LINCOLN
SLOAN
CURRY
SHEPHERD
WRIGHT
BARBOUTIS
MARTIN
FRASER
GILES
FRANKS

HAKOAH

FUZES
STEWART
HILLSDON
GARDINER
MARNOCCH
D. YAAGER
FEKETE
KEDDIE
BARNETT
BAARTZ
JONES

VITAL STATISTICS

APIA v. St. George: 9-5-4

The last time APIA lost to the Saints in the championship was in 1965 (2-4), playing at home.

In their 18 encounters so far the only time APIA failed to score was last year when the two played out a 0-0 draw at Lambert Park.

APIA are waiting for their 140th championship win since 1957.

St. George will reach an important milestone in their career: Sunday's game will be their 200th championship match since entering First Division in 1959.

Melita Eagles v. Polonia: 1-0-1

They first met only last year — and each promptly lost its home match.

Polonia last week celebrated a treble "anniversary" by collecting their 70th competition point, registering their 20th draw and conceding their 200th goal.

Prague v. Yugal: 4-2-6

Yugal have a proud away record against Prague, having won four out of their seven championship ties.

So far in First Division, Yugal have conceded 239 goals; will Prague be able to bring this total to 240 or over?

Pan Hellenic v. Manly

This will be their first championship match; they have not even met in this year's Ampol Cup, being drawn in different groups.

South Coast v. Canterbury 5-1-4

No special jubilee or anniversary for either team — but still plenty at stake.

Last year Canterbury caused considerable shock by winning both championship matches.

However, the previous three seasons the Berries lost all their games at the South Coast.

Croatia v. Hakoah: 3-1-6

Croatia's balance against Hakoah is almost as bad as St. George's.

Last year both their struggles ended in 1-0 results — both teams losing at home and winning away.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

RAMAGE
(S.C.U.)

HUNTER
(Melita Eagles)

BANICEVIC
(Yugal)

SCHAEFER
(St. George)

CLISS
(St. George)

ALAGICH
(Yugal)

MULLAN
(Melita Eagles)

OMEROS
(P. Hellenic)

RAFANELI
(Yugal)

GILES
(Croatia)

LISSING
(Prague)

RESULT SCOREBOARD

FIRST DIVISION	APIA	St. George	Croatia	P. Hellenic	Hakoah	Canterbury	Prague	Polonia	Yugal	Melita Eagles	S. Coast Utd.	Manly
APIA	●											
St. George		●										
Croatia			●									
P. Hellenic				●								
Hakoah					●							
Canterbury						●						
Prague							●					
Polonia								●				
Yugal									●			
Melita Eagles										●		
S. Coast Utd.											●	
Manly												●
APIA												0-3
St. George												1-0
Croatia												1-2
P. Hellenic												2-1
Hakoah												2-1
Canterbury												1-2
Prague												2-2
Polonia												2-2
Yugal												2-2
Melita Eagles												2-2
S. Coast Utd.												2-2
Manly												2-2
APIA												0-3
St. George												1-0
Croatia												1-2
P. Hellenic												2-1
Hakoah												2-1
Canterbury												1-2
Prague												2-2
Polonia												2-2
Yugal												2-2
Melita Eagles												2-2
S. Coast Utd.												2-2
Manly												2-2
APIA												0-3
St. George												1-0
Croatia												1-2
P. Hellenic												2-1
Hakoah												2-1
Canterbury												1-2
Prague												2-2
Polonia												2-2
Yugal												2-2
Melita Eagles												2-2
S. Coast Utd.												2-2
Manly												2-2

LEADING SCORERS

Halpin (Yugal)	2
Karyannis (Pan Hellenic)	2
Lissing (Prague)	2

FIRST DIVISION

REFEREES

Prague v. Yugal — A. Faraone; Melita Eagles v. Polonia — N. Campbell; P. Hellenic v. Manly — M. Buchanan; APIA v. St. George — H. Parsons; Croatia v. Hakoah — A. R. Brown; S.C.U. v. Canterbury — G. Naylor.

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Good trial

In their last tune-up match before meeting Italy in the European Championship quarter-finals, the Bulgarian "A" team defeated a Hungarian "B" team 3-2 in Sofia. Some 10 days later they beat Italy by the same score. The return match against the Italians will be next week. If a third match is necessary, it will be played in Paris on April 24.

Soccer pools reap fortune

In 1967 Italians invested a record \$30 million in soccer pools. The Government collected \$7 million as its share. The rest was split between CONI (Italy's Olympic all-Sport association) and the FA, whose share of the profit was \$6 million.

Masopust's Belgian debut

Josef Masopust signed his contract with the Belgian club, Crossing Molenbeek last week. The Czechoslovakian star arrived in Brussels on April 5 and made his debut in a friendly match last Sunday. Masopust is the first Czechoslovakian player allowed to settle in any other country than Australia. He won't be the last, however, because the new, liberalised, Czech government will now allow players to transfer at will to foreign clubs.

Doctor in the team

The coach of Hungarian champions Ferencvaros, Karoly Lakat, recently became a Doctor of Arts — equivalent to our MA degree. Previously Lakat had a BA degree as teacher of history and geography.

Cardiff City wins!

Cardiff City has qualified to meet Hamburger SV in the semifinals of the European Cupwinners' Cup. The lowly Second Division Welsh club beat Torpedo Moscow 1-0 at Augsburg in a play-off tie.

"Radi" won't tour

Whether Munchen 1860 tour Australia or not, we'll not be seeing their brilliant Yugoslav goalie, Petar Radenkovic, who played in Melbourne at the 1956 Olympics. Radenkovic is quitting the Munich club in June. He is almost certain to join Holland's FC Twente.



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There is considerable talk in Austria that FK Austria and Wiener Sportklub may merge and that Rapid may amalgamate with First Vienna to give Vienna only two soccer teams. Four clubs can't exist at the moment in the Austrian capital, where soccer attendances have reached an all-time low.

● Bologna's Helmut Haller is likely to be transferred to Inter Milan in exchange for the Danish centre-forward Harald Nielsen.

● Anderlecht are almost certain to win the Belgian title for the fifth consecutive year. Belgium's premier club has already won the league crown a record 18 times.

● AS Roma and Napoli are on the ranks for the famous Swede, Liedholm, who has almost coached Verona back into Italy's First Division.

● Didi, one of Brazil's greatest-ever players, is leaving Peru's Cristal Lima at the end of the season. Didi will go to Spain to sit for his coaching certificate. Next year he hopes to coach a leading Spanish club, preferably Barcelona or Atletico Madrid.

● Boca Juniors will almost certainly sign the former Brazilian international, Brandao, as their coach. Their negotiations with Alfredo Di Stefano fell through.

● The recent match between the English and Scottish Leagues was Alf Ramsey's hundredth match as team manager with an English representative side.

● Bellini, Brazil's 1958 World Cup skipper, now plays with an obscure regional club in the State of Parana. Gilmar, the great Brazilian goalie, will join him next month.

● Adalbert Wetzel has been re-elected as president of Munchen 1860 at their Annual General Meeting last weekend.

● Herr Dienst, the controversial Swiss referee of the 1966 World Cup final will referee the Bayern Munchen v. Milan AC Cupwinners' Cup semifinal — his first appointment since Wembley.

● In the South American Champions' Cup Estudiantes beat fellow Argentinian club Independiente 2-1 and Sporting Cristal (Peru) beat Deportivo Portugues (Venezuela) 2-0 in Lima.

● The centre-forward of Austria's amateur national team, Voggenberger is also a top Nordic skier. He represented Austria at this year's Grenoble Winter Olympics.

● Munchen 1860, the West German Bundesliga club which may tour Australia this winter, made a profit of \$13,000 in 1967.

● Torino have "lent" fullback Ferrini, 29, and their 20-year-old goalkeeper, Lino Vieri, to Bologna.

● Eintracht Frankfurt are negotiating with the Austrian LASK for their fine utility player, Gerhard Sturmberger.

● Celtic Glasgow will go on a long overseas tour in May; in Mexico City they will meet Inter Milan to play a "return" match of last year's European Cup final.

● Korsos, the young Vasas winger, is the leading scorer after five rounds in the Hungarian championship.

● A. K. Waiters, an English FA coach, is spending four weeks in Hungary studying the training methods of the leading teams.

● Tamas, Hungary's international goalkeeper, has broken his hand.

● The West German Kaiserslautern is in financial trouble. The city council had to help them out with a 100,000 mark (\$22,000) loan.

● Two leading Austrian players are keen to switch over to German clubs: Sturmberger (LASK) to Eintracht Frankfurt and Hasil (Rapid) to FC Nurnberg.

● Japan beat Hong Kong 2-0 in Hong Kong last Sunday — 40 hours after their departure from Sydney.

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European Cup statistics

The 55 matches played to date in the European Champions' Cup have attracted 1,856,000 spectators. This represents an average of 34,000 per match. One hundred and forty-seven goals have been scored (an average of 2.67 per match).

A loud "nyet"

The Russian national team played four matches in Mexico — and all four ended in draws. After Mexico, the Russians went to France to play four more friendlies. As a result of this, the players missed the start of the Russian championship — causing most leading clubs to bitterly complain about the Association's high-handed attitude. What, complaints in Russia?

Yugoslavia's positive record

Yugoslavia's European Championship match against France at Marseilles last Saturday (1-1) was their 306th international. Yugoslavia's first international was on August 28 1920. Since then they've won 151, drawn 54 and lost 101. Against France they scored their 700th goal and conceded their 530th.

One goal: six points

The surprise of the Hungarian championship is the young, rebuilt Honved, under the coaching of Kalman Preiner. Ferencvaros are still in mediocre form, after their tour of Mexico and their two tough matches with Bilbao in the Fair Cities' Cup and suffered their first defeat at provincial Dunaujvaros the day after their return from Spain. Newly promoted Egyetertes (means "Unison") are unbeaten after five rounds with "Italian style soccer": they won one and drew four matches and their goal average is an amazing 1-0. Kingpin of their defence is former Hungary and Ferencvaros stopper Sandor Matrai.

SCOREBOARD

EUROPEAN CHAMPION- v. Ujpest 1-1, Videoton v. Tatabanya 1-0, Szeged v. Szombathely 2-0, Honved v. Pecs 3-0, Gyor v. Egyetertes 0-0, Csepel v. MTK 3-1, Vasas v. SBTG 3-1. Table: Honved 9; Ujpest, Vasas 8; Ferencvaros, Szeged 7; Egyetertes, Videoton 6.

INTERNATIONAL match: Holland v. Belgium 1-2 (Amsterdam).

CUPWINNERS' CUP: Cardiff City v. Torpedo Moscow 1-0.

FAIR CITIES' CUP: Bologna v. Vojvodina 0-0, Dundee v. FC Zurich 1-0.

AUSTRIA: Rapid v. Eisenstadt 1-0, Sturm Graz v. Vienna 0-0, LASK v. Radentheim 6-1, Innsbruck v. Sportklub 3-2, Salzburg v. GAK 3-1, Austria v. Admira 2-1, Klagenfurt v. Bregenz 1-0. **Table:** Rapid 32; Austria 31, Innsbruck 27; Sportklub, GAK 21.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: Inter Bratislava v. Slovan Bratislava 0-1, Lokomotiva v. Teplice 1-0, Zilina v. Trencin 3-1, Ostrava v. Slavia 1-2, Bohemians v. Kosice 2-0, Sparta v. Plzen 0-0.

EAST GERMANY: Magdeburg v. Jena 3-2, Chemie Leipzig v. Rostock 1-1, Wismut v. Karlmarxstadt 1-0, Halle v. Vorwaerts Berlin 0-2, Dresden v. Lokomotive Leipzig 1-1, Union Berlin v. Zwickau 1-1, Erfurt v. Stendal 3-0. **Table:** Jena, Magdeburg 28; Rostock 26, Lokomotive Leipzig, Vorwaerts Berlin 20.

FRANCE: Rouen v. Red Star 2-0, Ajaccio v. Lens 2-1, Metz v. Lille 1-0. (Other matches postponed because of France v. Yugoslavia international.)

HUNGARY: Dunaujvaros v. Ferencvaros 2-1, Diosgyor

PORTUGAL: CUF v. Benfica 2-0, Sporting Lisbon v. Varzim 1-0, Porto v. Braga 3-2, Academica v. Guimaraes 2-0, Tirense v. Setubal 0-0, Leixoes v. Belenenses 1-0, S. Joanaense v. Barreirense 1-0. **Table:** Sporting Lisbon 35; Benfica 33; Porto, Academica 29; Setubal 27.

SPAIN: Elche v. Malaga 1-0, Sabadell v. Real Sociedad 1-0, Espanol v. Valencia 3-2, Atletico Madrid v. Bilbao 2-0, Cordoba v. Sevilla 1-1, Betis v. Zaragoza 2-1, Barcelona v. Real Madrid postponed.

SWITZERLAND: Young Boys v. Biel 2-0, Chaux-de-Fonds v. Grasshoppers 0-0, Lausanne v. Servette 2-2, Lugano v. Grenchen 4-2, Sion v. Bellinzona 2-0, Basel v. Young Fellows 4-2, Zurich v. Luzern 8-0. **Table:** Lugano 27; Basel, Grasshoppers 25; FC Zurich 24.

WEST GERMANY: Karlsruhe v. Braunschweig 1-2, Hanover 96 v. VfB Stuttgart 2-1, Neunkirchen v. Moenchengladbach 0-3, MSV Duisburg v. Kaiserslautern 7-0, Hamburger SV v. Eintracht Frankfurt 0-1, FC Nurnberg v. FC Koln 2-1, Alemannia Aachen v. Werder Bremen 1-1, Borussia Dortmund v. Munchen 1860 0-0, Bayern Munchen v. Schalke 04 2-0. **Table:** FC Nurnberg 39; Moenchengladbach 35; Werder Bremen, Bayern Munchen 34; FC Koln 32.

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CLUBS GETTING TOUGH OVER PLAYERS' TERMS

— From BOB LOW in Melbourne —

Let 'em stew! This is the new get-tough policy of some of our State League clubs who are heartily sick of the tantrums and excessive demands of the "we-won't-play" brigade who are threatening to sabotage their team's chances and send them bankrupt in the process at this early stage of the new league season.

It appears that the days of the rebels are numbered and their bluff has been called.

More and more clubs are realising the shortcomings of some so-called "stars," who constantly step out of line in their attempts to dictate the team policy, to tell the coach and management their jobs or to try and extract fantastic payments when they know full well they are overpaid at present.

Clubs are now beginning to adapt themselves to a realistic policy in disciplining players in this category

who constantly step out of line.

They are no longer chasing them.

And they refuse point-blank to dig any deeper while they have no guarantee the players won't start moaning again in a few months' time.

The new attitude of some clubs in saying: "These are the terms — take them or leave them," is one of the healthiest signs I have seen for a long time.

Clubs themselves were to blame in the past for the player revolt.

They have encouraged

additional payments they can often ill-afford — and in some instances only to certain players.

The economy of the game cannot absorb any more increases.

And especially at this time when the club standard of the game leaves much room for improvement.

Another heavy slug for the clubs is their ordinary running expenses.

"We are being priced out of soccer with ground rents, fees to the Federation and the high cost of players' equipment," commented a State League club official to me the other day.

The man in question pointed out that before the league season started and before his players had kicked their first competitive ball, his club had spent the best part of \$3,000 getting ready for the 1968 season.

Pre-season expenditure consisted of: \$1,200 for ground rental, \$800 annual fee to the Victorian Soccer Federation and about another \$1,000 for players' equipment which included jerseys, shorts, stockings, boots, track suits, spikes, soccer balls, new nets and many more items of gear which a club with a reserve side and many junior teams needs to have before the annual kick-off.

The club in question cannot be slated for spending unnecessarily.

They are a well-known State League club who have won all the top honors in Victorian soccer on a shoe-string budget.

They pay their players a small but realistic payment for a win and draw and for several years now their support has been strictly limited

due to their mediocre performances.

Still, they bluntly refuse to put themselves in the red.

And I admire them for their policies.

MORE SHOCKS LIKELY

The State League soccer is split three ways this weekend with two games being played on Saturday, Sunday and Monday apiece.

LIONS v. MELBOURNE

Lions, with a home ground advantage, could pull off a shock here as the uneven and rough surface at Montgomery Park will put the ball-playing Melbourne at a serious disadvantage.

SM HELLAS v. WILHELMINA

Hellas may have some new players from Greece, two defenders and a forward. Despite their flying start against a completely out of touch Juventus, Wilhelmina cannot be hailed as invincible.

ALEXANDER v. CROATIA

With an obvious advantage in individual skill, in teamwork and much stronger in both defence and attack Croatia should waltz through this game to tuck both points safely away long before the finish.

JUVENTUS v. POLONIA

Polonia with Janczyk in the driver's seat, are playing the best soccer of all the clubs. Juventus need a big lift after last week. Perhaps a division of points will result.

JUST v. HAKOAH

JUST, having resolved their difficulties with top State League scorers Hughes, their chances could be much more highly rated. Hakoah are a well balanced side despite the absence of both George Keith and Mike O'Hara who are reported to be at variance with the club over terms.

SLAVIA v. GEORGE CROSS

George Cross, gallant and courageous with as much talent as any other side, only need to improve their teamwork to recover much of their former prestige. B.L.

VICTORIAN RESULTS

Polonia v. Lions 0-0.
Melbourne 1 (Wallace) v. JUST 1 (Adamovic).
Slavia 1 (McCurry) v. Croatia 0.
George Cross 2 (Hodgson, Armstrong) v. SM Hellas 0.
Wilhelmina 6 (Vowles 3, Atkins 2, Wyatt) v. Juventus 1 (Molloy).
Hakoah 5 (Murney 3, Armstrong 2) v. Alexander 1 (Racovalis).

VIC. TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	P
George Cross	1	—	2	0	2	
Slavia	1	—	1	0	2	
Wilhelmina	1	—	6	1	2	
Hakoah	1	—	5	1	2	
Polonia	—	1	0	0	1	
Lions	—	1	0	0	1	
Melbourne	—	1	1	1	1	
JUST	—	1	1	1	1	
Alexander	—	1	1	5	0	
Juventus	—	1	1	6	0	
Croatia	—	1	0	1	0	
SM Hellas	—	1	0	2	0	

What? Another Argentine ace?

Argentinian Diego Sacco, 28, arrived here last Saturday to join Adelaide Juventus.

Unlike many other new arrivals, Sacco is match fit.

He trained at Olympia Sports Field on Sunday in company with Juventus coach, Mario Danielli and Portuguese pair, Manuel Cruz and Alvaro Oliveira.

Sacco played for Second Division Portuguese club Covilha four weeks ago.

He scored 13 goals in his last six games.

He began his career in Buenos Aires with Tigre Juniors and played his first senior game for San Lorenzo di Almagro.

The six-footer signed for Juventus (Italy) in 1958 but played only one game. Juventus lost the match

1-2 to Torino and Sacco was the goalscorer.

He switched to Portuguese club, Beira Mar and stayed with them until 1965.

In his final year with the club he finished second on the league goalscoring list.

He joined Atletico Lisbon before transferring to Covilha.

Sacco is married with one boy and his wife is expecting their second child later this month.

Sacco could fulfil a crying need for Juventus provided he lives up to his reputation.

Lack of a goalscoring striker cost Juventus the Ampol Cup this season.

— A. Crisp

WITH THE AMATEURS

Wenties the only unbeaten outfit

— By KEITH GILMOUR —

A 4-1 win over University of N.S.W. at David Phillips Oval last Sunday means that Wentworthville is the only Inter-Suburban First Division team to gain full points from two matches.

Scorers for Wentworthville were Blinkhurst (2), K. Taylor and M. Prince one apiece.

University of N.S.W. scored first.

Later, centre-half Mick Prince had an indirect free-kick touched to him from just outside Wales' penalty area, and joined the scorers with a good shot.

In another First Division fixture, Marrickville won a hard, bruising game 2-0 at ELS Hall ground, North Ryde.

Peter Hopley played exceptionally well in goal for the winners, for whom Ron Horan and Peter Stokes also started.

Warringah Saints showed their ability in a 2-2 draw with Enmore at Mackey Park, in Division II.

Enmore led 1-0 at half-time.

They dominated the first period, but ended up being lucky to draw.

Warringah applied the pressure and Enmore only gained their draw through a late penalty.

Enmore are missing their goal-hungry forward, Con Pikulas, but were fortunate in obtaining the former Hellenic Brisbane player George Kostakos.

Third Division Rovers ran riot in the second half at Allum Park, to gain a colossal 10-2 margin over Greenacre.

Greenacre played well for the first 30 minutes, and were only down 1-2 at the break.

Padstow beat Campbelltown 3-1 at Campbelltown

Showground in a high standard match.

Padstow led 1-0 with only 20 minutes remaining, but condition was lacking, and Campbelltown came streaming through.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION
(First and Second Grades)
Sth. Sydney v. Lidcombe 0-0 0-5
Essex-MTK v. Concordia 2-2 4-1
Artarmon v. Thistle 2-1 2-1
Blacktown v. Belmore 1-2 0-9
Ryde v. Marrickville 0-2 0-6
Uni. NSW v. Wentworthville 1-4 2-2

SECOND DIVISION
(First and Second Grades)
Yagoona v. Auburn 2-1 2-1
Riverside v. St. Marys 4-5 5-2
Kewpies v. Guildford 5-2 0-1
Gymea v. Arncliffe 0-2 2-0
Enmore v. Warringah 2-2 3-0
Penrith v. Sydney Uni. 3-3 1-1

THIRD DIVISION
(First and Second Grades)
Dee Why v. G'ville 1-1 3-6
Smithfield v. Condell Pk. 4-4 1-8
Revesby v. All Stars 5-2 4-0
Greenacre v. Rovers 2-10 5-2
West Ryde v. Fairfield 2-2 1-5

FOURTH DIVISION
(First and Second Grades)
Liverpool v. Maroubra 5-0 2-2
N'town v. Central Utd. cancelled
Bevly Hills v. Ku-ring-gai 4-2 2-2
C'town v. P'stow Pk. 3-1 4-4

THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, April 13
First Division: Lidcombe v. Wentworthville — Coleman Park.

Second Division: Auburn Juniors v. Gymea — Progress Park; Arncliffe v. Enmore — Cahill Park; Guildford v. Sydney Uni. — Guildford Park.

Third Division: Gladesville-Hornsby v. Revesby Workers — Pennant Hills Oval; Smithfield v. Dee Why — Smithfield Oval.

Fourth Division: Ku-ring-gai v. Chelsea — Asquith Park; Prospect v. Newtown — Jardine Park.

Sunday, April 14
First Division: Belmore v. Sth. Sydney — Rudd Park; Ryde v. Blacktown — Hall Field, NSW Uni. v. Eastside-MTK — D. Phillips Oval; Concordia v. Artarmon — Steel Park.

Second Division: St. Marys v. Yagoona — Ridge Park; Kewpies v. Riverside — Colquhoun Park; Warringah Saints v. Dee Why.

Third Division: All Stars v. Greenacre — Jones Park; Condell Park v. Fairfield — Bankstown Showground.

Fourth Division: Padstow Park v. Beverly Hills — Padstow Oval; Maroubra v. Campbelltown — Paine Reserve, Central United v. Liverpool Eagles — Waverley No. 2 Oval.

CRITIC SLAMS WRONG TARGET

— From ALLAN CRISP —

The third Australia-Japan international played in Adelaide last Thursday lacked big match atmosphere because of an unsuitable venue.

Norwood Oval which is an Aussie Rules ground is simply not adequate to stage soccer.

The grandstand is "miles" from the action and to make matters worse, patrons have to contend with an end on goal to goal view.

A 7,000 crowd saw the match — a total which the brilliantly lit Hindmarsh Stadium could have accommodated.

On NWS Channel 9's World of Sport program on Sunday, Tom McKain apologised to the Adelaide public who paid to see what he described as a "shocking game."

He then accused the ASF of a confidence trick.

"We were assured that the Australian team were fully fit but it was obvious that Van Alphen, Schaefer and Lloyd were hampered by injury."

"It would have been better to use SA players of lesser ability who were fully fit," added the Channel 9 commentator.

It hasn't been my habit of late to defend the ASF but as Tom McKain really hits out at the team, not the organisation, a few points must be made clear.

If anybody in Adelaide really believed that the Australian team would be fully fit after three days of preparations, two hard matches and two more days of training and rest, he has only tricked himself and perhaps his readers.

In SOCCER WORLD we pointed out before the series as well as after the first two matches, that the Australian team was a shadow of its Asian self.

If our Adelaide friends chose to ignore this piece of warning and elected to believe other sources, they are more credulous than most.

As for the mistaken use of Norwood Oval instead of Hindmarsh, surely this cannot be pinned on either the ASF or the team, manager, coach or the wicked Sydney and Melbourne players.

The choice was made locally, by Adelaide officials.

— Paul Dean

Sydney Juniors

Last Saturday the inter-district and metropolitan championships started with district teams in the under-14, 15 and 16 age groups competing to represent the metropolitan branch against country teams in August.

In the under-14s, Manly, small, fast and very nippy had a close, but convincing win over the strong Gladesville team.

In the under-15 competition, Nepean showed vastly improved form to hold the excellent Granville XI to a respectable 1-3 defeat.

After the first round the tables are as follows:

UNDER-14 DIVISION						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bankstown	1	—	—	8	0	2
Sutherland	1	—	—	6	2	2
Granville	1	—	—	4	2	2
Manly	1	—	—	3	2	2
Gladesville	1	—	—	2	3	0
Nepean	—	—	—	1	2	4
St. George	—	—	—	1	2	6
Ku-ring-gai	—	—	—	1	0	8
UNDER-15 DIVISION						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Granville	1	—	—	3	1	2
West	1	—	—	5	2	2
Bankstown	1	—	—	2	0	2
St. George	1	—	—	4	0	2
Gladesville	1	—	—	3	2	2
Manly	1	—	—	1	2	3
Sutherland	—	—	—	1	3	4
Ku-ring-gai	—	—	—	1	0	2
East	—	—	—	1	2	5
Nepean	—	—	—	1	1	3
UNDER-16 DIVISION						
	W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	1	—	—	4	0	2
Bankstown	1	—	—	3	0	2
St. George	1	—	—	4	1	2
Norths	1	—	—	0	0	1
Sth. Dist.	1	—	—	0	0	1
Sutherland	—	—	—	1	1	4
Ku-ring-gai	—	—	—	1	0	3
Gladesville	—	—	—	1	0	4

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Competition Tables

FIRST DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	1	—	—	2	0	2
APIA	1	—	—	5	1	2
Hakoah	1	—	—	4	1	2
Melita Eagles	1	—	—	4	1	2
St. George	1	—	—	7	2	2
Prague	1	—	—	1	2	7
Polonia	—	—	—	1	1	4
Manly	—	—	—	1	1	4
Canterbury	—	—	—	1	1	5
Yugal	—	—	—	1	1	5
Pan Hellenic	—	—	—	1	0	2

GRADE III.

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Pan Hellenic	1	—	—	1	0	2
St. George	1	—	—	1	0	2
Prague	1	—	—	3	1	2
Manly	1	—	—	3	1	2
Canterbury	1	—	—	2	1	2
Yugal	1	—	—	2	1	2
Hakoah	—	—	—	1	1	2
APIA	—	—	—	1	1	2
Polonia	—	—	—	1	1	3
Melita Eagles	—	—	—	1	1	3
SCU	—	—	—	1	0	1
Croatia	—	—	—	1	0	1

SECOND DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Auburn	1	—	—	4	0	2
Marconi	1	—	—	3	0	2
Bankstown	1	—	—	2	0	2
Corinthians	1	—	—	2	1	2
West. Subs.	1	—	—	4	3	2
NS-Inter	—	—	—	2	2	1
Sutherland	—	—	—	2	2	1
Hornsby	—	—	—	1	3	4
Balgownie	—	—	—	1	1	2
Granville	—	—	—	1	0	2
Lane Cove	—	—	—	1	0	3
N. Bankstown	—	—	—	1	0	4

GRADE II.

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Bankstown	1	—	—	9	0	2
Balgownie	1	—	—	2	0	2
Marconi	1	—	—	1	0	2
West Subs.	1	—	—	1	0	2
Sutherland	1	—	—	9	4	2
Auburn	1	—	—	2	1	2
N. Bankstown	—	—	—	1	2	0
NS-Inter	—	—	—	1	4	9
Hornsby	—	—	—	1	0	1
Lane Cove	—	—	—	1	0	1
Corinthians	—	—	—	1	0	2
Granville	—	—	—	1	0	9

GRADE III.

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Balgownie	1	—	—	4	0	2
West. Subs.	1	—	—	2	0	2
Bankstown	1	—	—	3	1	2
Lane Cove	1	—	—	3	1	2
N. Bankstown	1	—	—	3	1	2
NS-Inter	—	—	—	3	3	1
Sutherland	—	—	—	3	3	1
Auburn	—	—	—	1	2	3
Granville	—	—	—	1	1	3
Marconi	—	—	—	1	1	3
Hornsby	—	—	—	1	0	2
Corinthians	—	—	—	1	0	4

INTER-SUBURBAN

FIRST DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Wentley	2	—	—	6	2	4
St. Sydney	1	—	—	1	0	3
Marrickville	1	—	—	4	2	3
Lidcombe	1	—	—	5	3	3
Belmore	1	—	—	3	2	3
Artarmon	1	—	—	4	3	3
Eastside-MTK	—	—	—	2	2	1
Concordia	—	—	—	1	3	4
Ryde	—	—	—	1	1	3
Blacktown	—	—	—	2	4	7
Thistle	—	—	—	1	1	2
Uni. NSW	—	—	—	2	1	5

SECOND DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Kewpies	2	—	—	9	5	4
Warringah	1	—	—	7	2	3
Arncliffe	1	—	—	2	0	2
Yagoona	1	—	—	2	1	2
Riverside	1	—	—	1	8	5
St. Marys	1	—	—	1	8	3
Guildford	1	—	—	1	7	2
Enmore	—	—	—	2	2	1
Sydney Uni.	—	—	—	3	3	1
Penrith	—	—	—	1	5	8
Auburn	—	—	—	2	1	6
Gymea	—	—	—	2	0	7

THIRD DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Rovers	2	—	—	15	3	4
Gladesville	1	—	—	5	3	3
Condell Park	1	—	—	7	6	3
Revesby	1	—	—	1	6	7
All Stars	1	—	—	1	5	7
Fairfield	—	—	—	1	2	1
West Ryde	—	—	—	1	4	5
Dee Why	—	—	—	1	3	4
Smithfield	—	—	—	1	6	8
Greenacre	—	—	—	1	2	10

FOURTH DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Liverpool	1	—	—	5	0	2
Campbelltown	1	—	—	3	1	2
Beverly Hills	1	—	—	4	2	2
Ku-ring-gai	—	—	—	1	2	4
Padstow Park	—	—	—	1	1	3
Maroubra	—	—	—	1	0	5

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Canterbury v. Hakoah	1-5	2-1				
Manly v. Melita Eagles	1-4	3-1				
St. George v. SCU	4-1	1-0				
Pan Hellenic v. Croatia	0-2	1-0				
Polonia v. Prague	2-7	1-3				
Yugal v. APIA	1-5	2-1				

SECOND DIVISION

	W	D	L	F	A	P
NS Inter v. S'land	2-2	4-9	3-3			
Hornsby v. Wests	3-4	0-1	0-2			
Aub'n v. N. B'town	4-0	2-1	2-3			
Balgownie v. Cor.	1-2	2-0	4-0			
Bankstown v. G'ville	2-0	9-0	3-1			
L. Cove v. Marconi	0-3	0-1	3-1			

SYDNEY SECOND DIVISION

AUBURN FAVORED TO BEAT MARCONI

— By CHARLES SPITERI —

The only surprise of the opening round last weekend was the good performance by North Sydney Inter — the newly promoted club — against the strong and powerful Sutherland.

Other highlights included the close tussle between Western Suburbs and Hornsby and the win by Corinthians over Balgownie.

Auburn v. N. Bankstown 4-0

Auburn scored an easy victory against North Bankstown at Mona Park. Auburn took time to settle down and scored only one goal in the first half. However, after a stern talk by the coach Z. Nowacki in the dressing room at half time, the side came out to add three more goals for an easy win.

Auburn: Owers; Smith, Haggett, Entwistle, Thompson, Keen; Allan (1); Moffitt (1); Fernie, Edwards (1), O'Neill (1).

Hornsby v. Wests 3-4

Hornsby nearly brought off the first upset of the season when they led early in the second half.

However, in a thrilling finale, Wests' all-out effort and superior condition enabled them to score a close victory with the winning goal scored only four minutes from the end.

Western Suburbs: Iro; Apostolidis, Bastion; Holmes, Bijkerk, Dyer; Randall, Bosklopper, Woods (2), Pont (1), Smit (1).

NS-Inter v. Sutherland 2-2

Both sides took time to settle down but Sutherland were first to score and led 1-0 at half-time.

Almost straight from the kick-off, after the interval, Norths equalised. Sutherland went to the lead again

midway through the half, but Inter came back and equalised after a misunderstanding by the Sutherland defence.

NS-Inter: Markulin; Roberts, Abattista; Impellizzari, Waud, Smith; Mono, Spresian, West (1), Gillespie (1), McKenna.

Sutherland: Smith; Turner, McAneny; Watt, O'Reilly, Griffiths; Bibbing, Corfield (1), McIlveen, Roche, Davidson (1).

Bankstown v. Granville 2-0

Two goals in the first half settled the issue.

Play was scrappy but the tooth and nail struggle thrilled the crowd.

The first goal was an "own" goal by Granville's half-back Burtenshaw.

The second goal was scored by Madden a few minutes before half-time.

Bankstown: Friedl; G. Jamieson, Fitzgerald; White, Hinkman, McDermott; J. Jamieson, James, Bamforth, Madden (1), Clarke.

Granville: Sparkes, Pendleton, Falzon; Dean, Staunton, Burtenshaw (o.g.); J. Williams, Baaks, H. Williams, Tamandl, Dupont.

Lane Cove v. Marconi 0-3

Marconi won its clash against Lane Cove convincingly after leading 1-0 at half-time.

In the second half, Lane Cove goalkeeper, Giannini, made a spectacular dive to save a penalty but Marconi scored from the rebound.

Lane Cove: Giannini; Carter, Gamble; Combe, Aird, Cooper; Cross, Nadj, Thomas, Coutts, Mitchell.

Balgownie v. Corinthians 1-2

Two new players from last year's Inter-suburban Division scored the goals that gave Corinthians their win at Balgownie.

Pappas scored the first goal soon after the interval and Padgett, the winner after Balgownie had equalised through a goal by Worthington.

THIS WEEKEND

Auburn should start favorites against Marconi after their display last week.

Despite the small Marconi ground, Auburn should have too many guns for their opponents.

Mal O'Neill, the Irish international forward who was on loan to Granville last season, has fitted well in the Auburn forward-line and some of his through-passes could win the game for the visitors.

After their good performance against Granville last week, Bankstown should beat Barry Salisbury's Balgownie by a convincing margin.

In other matches, Wests are expected to win at Drummoyne Oval against Lane Cove while North Sydney Inter may fall to Corinthians.

Granville tackle the robust and hard-tackling North Bankstown but, with ground advantage must be favored.

At Seymour Shaw Park, Sutherland Shire should beat Hornsby-North End.

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SECOND GRADE

Canterbury 1: Lindsay; N. Katsanos, Parker, C. Katsanos, Gordon, Massie; Como, Clarke, Woods, Jur-estic (1), Constable.

Hakoah 5: Wilson (Deake); Edwards, Jeffrey; Migliaccio, Brown, Round; Lakmaker (1), A. Reichard (1), Harivel (1), Taylor (1), Embury (Holleman 1).

Referee: L. Smit.
Manly 1: Dart; Hobart, Langelaar; Speed, Hutchison, Andersen; Nutt, Parker, Adamson, Dobbins (1), Reynolds.

Melita Eagles 4: Spiteri; Wynn, Watts; Arrighi, Brennan, Edwards (1); Quested (2), Bankhead, Black, Smith (1), Wolowczyckow.

Referee: N. Micos.
Polonia 2: Rule; Fryar, Tomaszewski, Szulc, Reavley, Tarver, Rudgley, Bell (1), Hanley, Bazak (1), Knight.

Prague 7: Cook; Loveday, McLoughlin, Hill, Parkhouse, Miner, Manuel, Lowry (4), Wilcox (3), Reilly (Perry), Moulson.

Referee: R. Preston.
Pan Hellenic 0: Maglis; Nicolopoulos, Stevenson; Smith, Petrou, Byles; Vrol-yks, Bardetta, Patrinos, Demos, Howard.

Croatia 2: Easter; Page, Bonazza; Stuart, Clarke, Groll; Sambrook (1), Williams, Stuart, Brian, Longmuir (1).

Referee: T. Scott.
St. George-Budapest 4: Hopkins; Taylor, Adams; Cox, Bird, Bushby; McCue, Harris (1), Mansfield (2), Piggott (1), Telfer.

SCU 1: Radburn; Kerr, Sutherland; Sheppherd, Grant, Harrison; Beards, Newman (1), Mulqueeney, Freeme, Tolhurst.

Referee: F. Johns.
Yugal 1: Viskovich, Kos-ovich, Zivkovich, Kresinger, Glenday, Clancy, Vesich, M. Alagich, Tomich (1), Orsag, Perlich.

APIA 5: McQuire, Van Blerk, Callaghan, Parkin, Sambrook, Burnett, Keddie (1), Gray (1), Dickinson, Campbell (1), McKinnon (2).

Referee: N. F. Jones.

THIRD GRADE

Canterbury 2: Collins; Eldridge, Paul; Harris (1), Domenici, Lazaric; Thom-sen, Thompson, Hayes (1), Salerno, Seymour.

Hakoah 1: Stern; Harri-son, J. Reichard; Szegedi, McIveen, Siddons; Mash-man, Hughes, Ams, Proku-rat (1), Kovacic.

Referee: T. Davies.

Manly 3: Gee; Doe, Heazlett; Munnane, Wilson, Burns; Woods (1), Llewel-lyn (1), Slade, Grant, Bay-liss (1), Ryall.

Melita Eagles 1: Gruchot; Williams, Mapledoran; Powell, Miranda, Pastor; McGann, Boyd, Purtonovic, McDougall, Stafford (1).

Referee: B. Thompson.

Polonia 1: Rosseiz; Davis, Szulc, Henretty, Tansley, Niellioh, Parkin, McCallis-ter, Watson, Chodkiewicz, McFadyen (1).

Prague 3: Bracklow; Greer, Zenari (1), Spinks, Flynn, Petty, Butt, Perry (1), Steffe, Anasis, Franklin (1).

Referee: P. McFarland.

Pan Hellenic 1: McCure; Langdon, Dredge; Haggert, Sparsis, Campbell; Coelho, Pesalis, Sotos (1), Huntly, Werner.

Croatia 0: Mumford; Cos-tello, Sanders; Slater, Thomson, Lowe; Delfino, Carr, Zimet, Armytage, Mc-Kerny.

Referee: A. Day.

St. George-Budapest 1: Ball; Screen, Cox (1); Lewis, Stead, Denman; Tsolakis, Liddy, Freer, Rodgers, Treasure.

SCU 0: Radburn; Bott, Newson; McCue, Whitefield, C. Vandelovitch; Krampe, McLeod, Tuckerman, Jones, T. Vandelovitch.

Referee: T. Reid.

Yugal 2: Gonfas; Har-den, Kelly; Abercrombie, O'Laughlin, Kipick; Apos-tolovski (1), Lissing, Wiley, Nelson, Mullins (1).

APIA 1: Seymour, Stap-les, Buckley, Russell, Savvas, McPherson (1), King, Mc-Namara, McKenzie, La Rocca, Morrison.

Referee: W. Oakman.

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